

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An electromagnetic wave absorber formed of an Mn-Zn ferrite comprising:

\_\_\_\_\_ a spinel primary phase which contains 40.0 to 49.9 mol % FeO and Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 4.0 to 26.5 mol % ZnO, and a remainder of MnO and Mn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, wherein Mn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is present in an amount of 0.8 mol % or less and FeO is present in an amount of 0.2 mol % or less; and

\_\_\_\_\_ a secondary phase which contains CaO as a base component,

\_\_\_\_\_ wherein a mass of the spinel primary phase accounts for 50.0 to 99.0 % of an aggregate mass of the spinel primary phase and the secondary phase.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)